

Boating regulation for Danube section between Beuron and Herbertingen-Hundersingen



Dear visitor!

Welcome to the Upper Danube Nature Park. The upper Danube is an unaffected river section surrounded by unique splendid landscape. We are pleased, that you have selected this wonderful region as a holiday destination. Here you can find recreation and adventure in the midst of an extraordinary natural landscape. The Upper Danube offers fantastic opportunities for boating in pristine scenery but is also a site that needs to be protected due to its important and rare wildlife. Our aim is to enable conflict free boating whilst also minimizing any potential risk to wildlife. To achieve this goal boating had to be limited. This was done through a legal decree of the administrative district office in Sigmaringen (for more information look www.landkreis-sigmaringen.de).

Accordingly in principle boating in the river section between Beuron and Hundersingen is prohibited all year round. Nevertheless, to ensure that boaters can enjoy the river, the administrative district office Sigmaringen in consultation with other stakeholders elaborated and approved some exceptions in an environmentally acceptable extent. **Therefore a limited number of boats per day are provided for private users, clubathlets and commercial boat hirers. Please understand that boating is allowed only with registration.**

In addition, the restrictions due to a low water level have to be considered.

Following minimum water level numbers apply:

The water level at 8:00 am (respectively 6.00 pm on the previous evening) is decisive.

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		14.02.								03.10.		
	relevant water level Beuron (Tel. +49 7466 19700)											
Beuron - Hausen i.T. (bridge)	DKV 78 cm									DKV-members 78 cm		
Hausen i.T. (bridge) - Scheer	DKV-members 65 cm				53 cm			DKV-members 65 cm				
	relevant water level Hundersingen (Tel. +49 7586 19700)											
Scheer - Hundersingen (bridge)	DKV-members 56 cm		56 cm					DKV-members 56 cm				

Where to enter and exit?

Beuron	Entry near bridge on the right riverside (only for DKV members, from 01.07., with registration at "Haus der Natur", conservation center in Beuron)
Hausen im Tal	Exit and entry at the Nepomuk-bridge on the right riverside
Hausen im Tal	Campground. Resting is allowed. No entry!
Neumühle	Resting is allowed. No entry!
Thiergarten	Exit and entry "Kälberwiese" on the right riverside
Gutenstein	Exit and entry at the bridge on the left riverside
Mühle in Dietfurt	(Restaurant „Mühle“) Resting and exit is allowed on the right riverside
Mühle in Dietfurt	(Restaurant „Mühle“) Exit at the left riverside
Sigmaringen-Laiz	Exit at the bridge on the left riverside
Sigmaringen	Exit and entry before campground on the right riverside
Sigmaringen	Exit at suspension bridge near youth leisure park on the left riverside
Sigmaringen	Exit and entry "In der Au" on the right riverside
Sigmaringendorf	Exit below the bridge on the left riverside. No entry!
Scheer	Exit at the old sports area on the right riverside. No entry!
Scheer	Exit above the bridge on the right riverside. No entry!
Mengen-Blochingen	Exit and entry above the bridge on the left riverside
Hundersingen	Exit and entry below the bridge on the right riverside, from 01.08.



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If you want to go by your own boat (private boater):

Request a boating permit from the following addresses in time. Within the contingent limits you will get it for a fee of 5 Euro per boat and day.

Entry	Firm	Phone Fax	Email
Hausen im Tal	Donautal-Touristik anytime	p +49 7466 1525 f +49 7466 910486	info@donautal-touristik.de
Thiergarten and Gutenstein	Haus der Natur conservation center Mo - Fr: 9 am - 5pm	p +49 7466 9280-0 f +49 7466 9280-23	kontakt@naturpark-obere-donau.de
between Sigmaringen-Laiz and Herbertingen- Hundersingen	tourist information office Sigmaringen Mo - Fr: 10 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 6 pm Sa / Su / holidays: 10 am - 1 pm	p +49 7571 106-224 f +49 7571 106-177	tourismus@sigmaringen.de

In case the contingent for your desired route-section is depleted, please choose another day or another river-section for your trip. Please understand that a fee refund due to bad weather or water level below minimum is not possible.

Boating permits will be delivered per post, fax or email. Please state your full postal address and register at least 2-3 days in advance. During the business hours boating permits can also be picked up at the respective offices (please call first). Necessary information for issuing the permit: desired date, planned route-section and number of boats.

If you belong to a group on a youth campground:

For groups on a youth campground it is allowed to set in boats for a short distance (250 m up- and downstream) without a permit. This rule does not apply for the youth campground "Stehle" near "Jägerhaus". For tours that go beyond this, the rules for private boaters will be applicable.

Register:

Phone: +49 7466 92 800 or
per email: kontakt@naturpark-obere-donau.de It is strongly suggested to register in time.

If you want to rent a boat:

- › Boat hirer Donautal-Touristik, Hausen i.T.
+49 7466 1525, Fax +49 7466 910486, info@donautal-touristik.de
- › Kanu-Verleih Pfefferle, Gutenstein and Sigmaringen
+49 7571 2448, Fax +49 7571 683186, info@gaestehaus-pfefferle.de
- › Jack Rattles Tal der Piraten, Thiergarten
+49 7570 550, info@jackrattle.de
- › out & back Erlebniswelt-Sigmaringen, Gutenstein and Sigmaringen
+49 7571 50411, Fax +49 7571 50412, info@outandback.de

What else is to consider?

- › Red dot on the information boards means boating ban due to lower deviation of the water level
- › A maximum of 4 people is allowed per boat
- › Accessing Danube by rafts, very large rubber dinghies, standuppaddler and motorized boats is prohibited.
- › Time to enter: 9 am to 2 pm (after that no first entry is allowed)
- › Latest Exit: 6 pm
- › Boating is allowed only if the water level is high enough (see overleaf table).
- › Use of media for music playback, music instruments and other sources of noise are not allowed on the river. Furthermore it's prohibited to boat when you are alcoholized.
- › Only enter and exit at the afore-mentioned sites.
- › Take your garbage back.
- › Entry, exit and carrying the boat around the weirs
- › Stay in the middle of the river and pay attention to marked channels to avoid the disturbance of bird hatching.
- › Don't rest on riversides, gravel banks and islands.
- › Don't enter abandoned meanders and tributaries.
- › Always carry along your boating permit (DKV-members additionally their club ID).

Have a good trip!